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THE WEATHER
Local showers to-day; to-morrow show-
ers; moderate northwesterly to
northeast winds.
Full Report on Last Page

TWO CENTS
In Greater New York
THREE CENTS
Within 200 Miles
FOUR CENTS
Elsewhere

Carranza Taken Prisoner by Rebels While in Flight; General's Generals, Who Ordered Massacre, Put to Death

Bread and Coal Famine Looms in Freight Tie-Up

Flour Must Be Brought Here in Week, Declare Experts, Who Predict Industrial Shut-Down

Business of Whole Country Suffering

Raw Materials and Food Stalled in Transit as Cars Pile Up in Yards

A nation-wide round-up of information collected by The Tribune shows that railroad freight congestion, an outgrowth of the outflow railroad workers' strike, which is continuing in some railway centers, is having a baneful effect on industry.

E. G. Breennman, member of the New York Flour Exchange, said yesterday:

"Unless the situation changes radically within another week New York will be in a serious plight for her daily bread. One of two things must happen—some drastic move to get New York's flour, now in transit, into the city must be adopted or New York will wake up some of these mornings to find that bread must be rationed as was done in war-time in Europe. Bakers' reserve stocks have dwindled because they have received but 10 per cent of their normal supply in the last three weeks.

The grain supply at all affects New York is also serious. Grain is not arriving or being shipped. Ships are waiting empty in New York harbor for grain cargoes for Europe. This commodity must run the gamut of three distinct situations before it arrives on the docks. The Buffalo freight yards are jammed and the congestion at other points west of Buffalo and the New York harbor strike.

Virtually no important railroads entering New York City would term their freight carrying capacity normal yesterday, and some admitted frankly that the situation was serious, due to the loss of cars inextricably tied up in the strike on one or another line, everywhere east of the Mississippi River.

Representatives of several roads were unanimous in saying that such vital necessities as coal, foodstuffs and perishable goods, which could be handled as freely as facilities afforded, but "dead freight"—raw materials for factories, building materials and goods of commerce, depending upon the railroads, are in many places shut down or operating sub-normally, with reduced employments, throwing thousands of people out of work.

Daniels Charges Sims Coveted British Honors

Secretary, in Answering Admiral's Attack on Navy, Declares Latter Gave Max- imum of Credit to English

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Secretary Daniels launched a vigorous counter-offensive against Rear Admiral Sims today, when he appeared before the Senate investigating committee to answer charges made by the officer against the Navy Department's conduct of the war.

Sweeping criticism of Admiral Sims occupied Mr. Daniels most of the day. His attack came as a preface to his answers to the Sims charges of failure and lack of cooperation, and of "unparliamentary" and "un-British" idiosyncrasies, "violation of naval regulations and criticism of the 'self-sacrificing and successful efforts' of his fellow officers.

So far as he dealt with Admiral Sims' charges that delay by the department had prolonged the war unnecessarily, Secretary Daniels declared the navy's war record stood "outchanted and for all time, regardless of criticism from within or without."

"As to the American navy's part in the great war," he said, "there are no two opinions at home or abroad.

"The most serious charges made by Admiral Sims are without foundation and the others are unjustified. He has assumed of what he calls errors and a small foundation of facts, Admiral Sims has erected a towering structure of exaggeration and misrepresentation."

Charged With Seeking Decorations

The admiral, Mr. Daniels said, offered to accept the King of England's offer that he become an honorary member of the British Admiralty and "wrote complacently" when the department declined to allow him to accept the appointment. Sims coveted foreign decorations and apparently placed more value on them than on his own navy's part in the great war.

"The fact that he had always regarded the admiral's 'desire for British honors' as a vital part of his foreign decorations," although he disapproved of it officially and privately.

Admiral Sims did not wholly measure up to expectations during the war, Mr. Daniels told the committee. He enumerated six points in this respect, including charges that the officer placed too great stress on the importance of protecting cargo vessels and had failed to appreciate that the protection of American soldiers en route to France was the navy's paramount mission.

Says Admiral Lacked Vision

The Secretary also said Admiral Sims had lacked vision to appreciate the Navy Department's North Sea mine barrage project to bottle up the German submarines. Finally Admiral Sims had to be sent abroad to obtain the British Admiralty's cooperation in the plan, Mr. Daniels asserted.

Secretary Daniels scored Admiral Sims for having made public his letter, entitled "Some Naval Lessons of the War," which brought about the investigation. The letter never should have been made public until the General Board had passed on it, he said, adding that Admiral Sims "could not have chosen a more ostentatious and well planned manner of securing publicity."

The fact that no one life was lost in transferring the army to France was "answer to most of the criticisms heard by the committee," Mr. Daniels declared, and added that had he known facts developed during the investigation he would not have recommended Sims to Congress for a life commission as a full admiral.

Referring to the Sims charge that

Lodge To Be Keynote Man At Chicago

Senate Leader To Be Tem- porary Chairman; Bev- eridge, Indiana, Likely To Have Permanent Post

Reservations Will Be Platform Plank

Complete Organization for Convention Is An- nounced by Committee

CHICAGO, May 10.—Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, Republican Senate leader and author of the Lodge reservations to the league of nations covenant, will sound the keynote of the coming Presidential campaign at the Republican National Convention in Chicago on June 8.

The Committee on Arrangements today selected Senator Lodge for temporary chairman and voted to recommend to the convention that some one else be chosen permanent chairman to relieve Mr. Lodge of the strain of directing the entire convention. Four years ago Senator Warren G. Harding, of Ohio, filled both positions.

The committee's recommendation, according to several committeemen, probably will pave the way for the selection of former Senator Albert J. Beveridge, of Indiana, as permanent chairman.

Booth Not Mentioned

The name of Senator Booth, candidate of the last two Republican conventions, was not mentioned during the discussion, according to Fred Upham, national treasurer.

Chairman Will H. Hays, of the national committee, reported on his conference last week with Senate leaders in Washington, where Senator Lodge's selection was urged by Senators Knox and Brandegee and others.

Hotel of First Rank

The lease held by Mr. Regan had fifteen years and nine months to run, the hotel having been built expressly for him. It was operated under his personal management until six months ago, when his son, James B. Regan Jr., took charge. Father and son will retire from the hotel business.

Since its opening, in October, 1908, the Knickerbocker has ranked with New York's most magnificent hotels. It originally cost \$4,000,000 and its furnishings, including many paintings, decorations, tapestries and pieces of statuary. The hotel has 524 rooms, 400 baths and employs 800 persons. All of the furnishings and fixtures belong to Mr. Regan and will be disposed of at a series of private sales, beginning June 10.

Service Men to Man Doors

Major General James A. Ryan, of Chicago, was named chief doorman. His assistants will all be former service men. The only surviving delegate to Pershing's chief of staff on the Mexican expedition and later commanded two officers' training camps at Fort Sheridan.

The committee selected George L. Hart, of Virginia, as official reporter and Dr. John Dill Robertson, Health Commissioner of Chicago, as chief of the medical staff.

The officers will be former service men under direction of Captain Knowlton Ames.

Addison G. Proctor, of Ann Arbor, Mich., is the only surviving delegate to the Republican National Convention at Chicago in 1860, which nominated Abraham Lincoln, was invited to attend the convention as a guest of honor.

Asquith Irish Plan Beaten in Commons

One-Parliament Amend- ment to Home Rule Measure Lost, 259 to 55

LONDON, May 10.—An amendment to the government's Irish Home Rule bill, offered by former Premier Asquith, providing one parliament instead of two for Ireland, was defeated by the House of Commons today after a short debate, by a vote of 259 to 55.

Mr. Asquith's amendment would have provided one parliament, with county option for Ulster, for a period limited to six years, as proposed in 1914.

Ireland would have separate parliaments for the North and South, under the government measure.

World's Altitude Record Broken in California

Purveyor Field Commander, With 3 Passengers, Ascends 17,100 Feet in Airplane

EL CENTRO, Calif., May 10.—Captain Lowell H. Smith, commanding officer of the Purveyor Field, here, broke what is said to be the world's altitude record for an airplane carrying a pilot and three passengers to-day, when he ascended 17,100 feet. The airplane was in the air for two hours and forty minutes.

Wilson Plan Dooms Party, Leaders Say

Adoption by Convention of His Treaty Program Is Declared Inevitable and Defeat Certain

Senatorial Fences Menaced by Policy

Reed Predicts Loss of All Northern States and Break in Solid South

By Carter Field

WASHINGTON, May 10.—The San Francisco convention will follow President Wilson's desire for an endorsement of the peace treaty and league of nations and a denunciation of the Lodge reservations. This is the view of a majority of the Democrats in the House and Senate, as revealed in a canvass made to-day on the President's telegram as printed this morning.

Such action by the Democratic National Convention, however, the canvass plainly showed, will come only after a bitter fight by a very considerable element of the party, which considers the course mapped out by the President clearly suicidal in view of the results of recent primaries and the actions of such state conventions and Democratic gatherings as those in Rhode Island and New York.

Knickerbocker Hotel to Close Doors May 30

\$6,225,000 Hostelry on White Way Will Be Con- verted Into Office Bldg.; Astor Estate Buys Lease

After the Sunday night dinner crowd leaves the Hotel Knickerbocker on May 30 this famous hostelry, located on the Great White Way at Broadway and Forty-second Street, will cease to operate. James B. Regan, lessee of the Knickerbocker since it was erected in 1906, announced yesterday the unexpired lease had been sold to the Astor estate, owner of the property. The hotel is to be converted into an office building.

The interior of the structure will be remodeled. Immediately after the Knickerbocker closes work on its conversion will be started. It is probable that several floors will be added to the fourteen-story structure.

Democratic Senators Embarrassed

There are only two Democratic Senators outside the South who are not embarrassed slightly or considerably by the President's commitment of the party to whole-souled endorsement of the treaty, and of these one, Senator Johnson, of South Dakota, is not a candidate for reelection, and the other, Senator Hitchcock, is not up for reelection this year.

Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon, who is being opposed by strong Administration men in his state for re-nomination, said the President's telegram was intended by the President to put the party to the Republican National Convention at Chicago and to the Democratic convention in San Francisco.

No Action Taken on Planks

Mrs. Park said after the hearing that no action was taken by the subcommittee on the planks, but that they were referred to the committee on education, which provides for a Federal department of education, increased teachers' salaries and instruction of aliens in citizenship.

"This is essentially a woman's program throughout," said Mrs. Park. "It deals with subjects upon which women have the greatest experience as mothers, homemakers and wage earners, have a distinctive point of view."

Convicted Scientist Given Fine of \$1,000

Jersey Man, Found Guilty in Death of Daughter, Will Take an Appeal

Andrew Walker, Christian Scientist, of Bloomfield, N. J., who was found guilty of manslaughter last Wednesday for failing to afford his eight-year-old daughter the necessary medical attention when she was ill of diphtheria, was fined \$1,000 and costs yesterday by Judge Osborne in the Court of Quarter Sessions, Newark.

Benjamin Weinberg, counsel for Walker, submitted a writ of error which directs the court to send the record of the case to the Supreme Court as the first step in an appeal. Pending final decision the prisoner was held in \$2,500 bail.

Plea of Suffragists Denied; Holcomb Won't Call Session

HARTFORD, Conn., May 10.—Governor Marcus H. Holcomb, replying to the request made by the "Flying squadron" of suffragists representing the forty-eight states, has declined to call a special session of the Connecticut Legislature to act on the woman suffrage amendment. His decision was given in a letter to Miss Katharine Ludington, president of the Connecticut Woman Suffrage Association, made public to-day.

Four times previously the Governor has refused to summon the Legislature to consider the Federal suffrage amendment, one occasion being after the Republican State Convention had passed a resolution calling upon Governor Holcomb, a Republican, to take action so the Connecticut might by the thirty-sixth state to ratify.

U. S. Rushes Dreadnought, 3 Destroyers

Dispatch to El Paso Says Fugitive Chief Was Cap- tured Near Apizaco; Entire Convoy Seized

17,000 Surrender To Rebel Leader

Important Town of Ma- zatlan Falls; Americans Being Given Protection

EL PASO, Tex., May 10 (By The Associated Press).—All of Mexico, except the states of Yucatan, Campeche and Chiapas and the northern part of the territory of Lower California, is in the hands of the revolutionists, according to a bulletin given out to-night by the local consulate of the Liberal Constitutional party.

The bulletin confirmed the report of the capture of President Carranza near Apizaco, Hidalgo and gave details.

Women Voters Present Planks To Republicans

Increased Teachers' Salaries and Instruction of Aliens Are Also Advocated

The National League of Women Voters made its first official move in national politics yesterday, when the six planks of the "Woman's Program" were presented to the Republican National Advisory Committee on Platform and Policies.

The women urged the Republicans to include in their platform planks in support of child welfare, education, regulation of the high cost of living, women in industry, public health and morals and independent citizenship for married women.

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His fiancée, Miss Elsie Vorrath, with whom he had spent the evening before the shooting, was at his bedside. Shortly thereafter, while County Detective Charlock was going over Rueckert's apartment, the telephone rang. "Who is this?" a woman's voice queried.

"A detective," Charlock replied. "Who is speaking?"

"I'm Mae Trask," came the answer. "I'm telephoning from my home in Manhattan, and I know where you are. You're in the bedroom."

Mac Trask Calls Death Chamber by Telephone, Tells Detectives Where to Find Photograph

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Gasoline Price Up Again; Sells for 34c To-day

The retail price of gasoline at garages will jump 2 cents to 34 cents to-day as a result of the increased wholesale price announced by the Standard Oil Company of New York yesterday. The increase represents an advance of 5 1/2 cents, or 22 per cent, since January 1. The wholesale advance is from 28 1/2 to 33 cents.

The price advance follows announcement of an increase in quotations for crude oil and is a result of the rapidly increasing consumption by automobiles. The number of automobiles has increased relatively faster than the production of crude oil, and the resulting increased demand is held responsible for the rise in price.

Dairymen Plan Raise Of Milk Prices in June

WATERTOWN, N. Y., May 10.—The New York State Dairymen's League is preparing to demand a price for milk in June as high as that in May, and possibly higher. E. R. Eastman, editor of "The Dairymen's League News," which is circulated among members by the league, said to-day:

June prices, up to last year, always showed a decline, because June is the peak month for milk production. Mr. Eastman said this year the farmers must make up losses suffered in the winter and spring.

Good Morning

If you haven't found the item you want why don't you call the Good Morning Girl, Beckman 2-00, and give her your advertisement for to-morrow's Tribune?—Adv.

Dispatches from the border said General Carranza, son-in-law of Carranza, had fled when General Obregon's armies entered Mexico City, and of Ignacio Bonillas, former Ambassador to the United States, is announced by Mexico City newspapers, according to advices received here to-day.

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